

Drainage Board

November 1, 2011 - 11:30 a.m.

Meeting called to order by President Logsdon. Members Logsdon, Toler, Gogel, Surveyor Herron, Surveyor secretary Jones, Attorney Jack Robinson and Auditor Lynam were present.

Minutes

October 4, 2011 Minutes; Toler made a motion to approve minutes. Gogel seconded. All were in favor.

October 18, 2011 Minutes; Toler made a motion to approve minutes. Gogel seconded. All were in favor.

Surveyor's Report

Logsdon asked for the Surveyor's report. Surveyor stated Leiberling's are cutting the trees off of several drains in the county. Lake Drain (Sweezer) and JC Hoople are a few of the drains that Leiberling is clearing. It is a win-win for Leiberling to cut the trees off the ditches it saves the county money and they are able to use the wood.

Highpoint

October 4th 2011 meeting the Drainage Board members agreed to retain \$2,000 for the Retainage fee for the J.C. Hoople drain work being done by High Point, Inc. to assure that the leveling of the project would be completed. Concerning the Retainage fee, Logsdon asked Surveyor Herron for comments from Highpoint, Inc. and the landowners in that area. Surveyor Herron stated there were no problems.

Legal Report - None; Secretary Report - None

Attorney Robinson is going to be in and out of his office with some clients but for the most he will be retiring at the end of 2011.

Drainage Advisory Meeting

The next Drainage Advisory Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 6th, 2011, at 6 p.m. CST.

Beaver Dams

Walt Yeager gave to the board a packet of information concerning the history of Drainage in Indiana. JC Hoople drain is the largest problem for Yeager. Yeager showed 9 pictures.

Figure 1. Logjams west of bridge on CR 675W and ¼ mile north of CR 400N (JC Hoople Drain)

Figure 2. Beaver Dam #1 visible from bridge on 675W looking east

Figure 3. Beaver Dam #2 east of B.D. #1

Figure 4. Water in tile well at ditch level about a foot above tile from field

Figure 5. Beaver Dam #3 east of B.D. #2

Figure 6. Beaver Dam #4 east of B.D. #3

Figure 7. Richland sign near Highway 161 at north end of Richland

Figure 8. Water pooled west of Richland Bridge (under the vegetation is quick sand)

Figure 9. Water pooled east of Richland Bridge

Surveyor Herron stated he has seen all of the pictures that Yeager detailed and described to the board. Surveyor Herron stated that he has worked area from Pigeon creek up to Bullocktown road about one mile three times and it just seems endless. If the landowners could help catch the Beavers then Surveyor Herron would get back out there and work the area again. The county had a bounty on beavers of \$25.00 each to trap them for the past 6 years and no one came forward. Logsdon stated he spoke to Purdue University about this problem. The Beavers re-build so quickly. Surveyor Herron stated that the solution would be to keep the ditches cleaned off so the Beavers wouldn't have any materials to re-build with. The Board answered all of Yeager's questions.

Gogel made a motion to adjourn. Toler seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Drainage Board,

President

Attest:

Donna J. Lynam, Auditor